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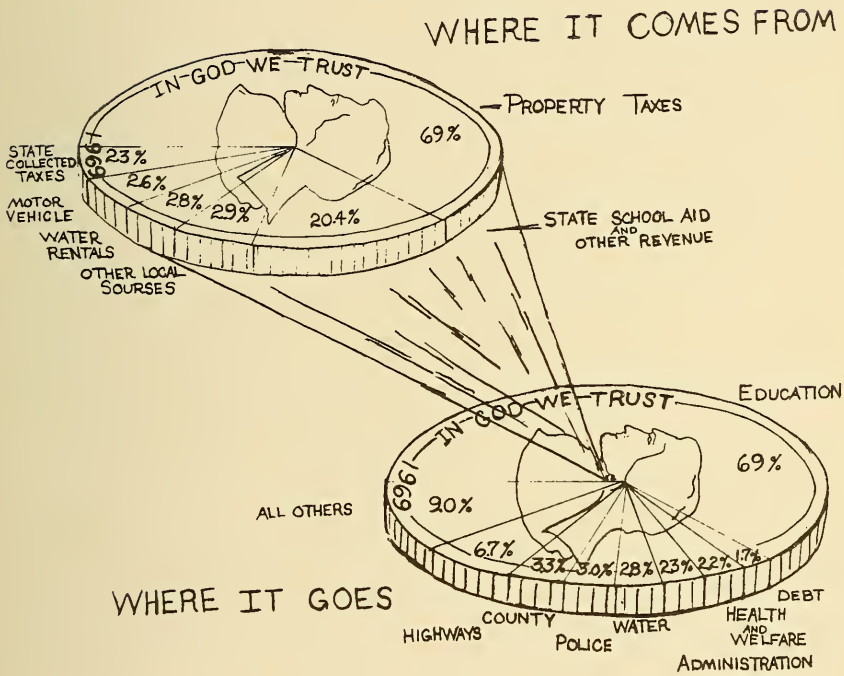
ANNUAL REPORT

TOWN OF

Lancaster, N. H.



FOR THE YEAR

1969

University of New Hampshire
Library

Comprehensive Town plan begins
Pollution abatement project approved
Re-location section Martin Meadow Pond Road
Flood protection work done
Two-way radio equipment added

Receive completed comprehensive Town Plan
Pollution project under construction
New bridge Garland Road
Additional flood protection work and
Approval of an ice retention structure.

COVER CREATION by Kenneth S. Crane

Directory of Officials

Elected Officials

Selectmen	Term Expires
Carlton C. Jordan	1970
Earle K. Amadon	1971
Charles T. Bennett	1972
Moderator	
Dana H. Lee	1970
Town Clerk and Treasurer	
Dorothy H. Willson	1972
Supervisors of Check List	
Agnes Moody	1972
Robert C. Rich	1973
Wilbur M. Schurman	1973
Trustees of Trust Funds	
Laurance Bryan	1970
Robert V. Johnson	1971
Sinclair Weeks	1972
Library Trustees	
Ethel McCarten	1970
Laurance Bryan	1971
Harold S. Mountain	1972

Col. Town Investment Committee

Robert V. Johnson	O. Leo Connary
Raymond F. Linscott	Raymond Carr
Hugh Galbraith	Robert Hall

Raymond W. McCaig

Col. Town Spending Committee	
George E. Hunter Jr.	1970
Priscilla B. Evans	1970
Paul F. Donovan	1970
J. Edward Perreault	1971
Nathalie Wheeler	1971
Charles T. Bennett	1971
Robert C. Rich	1972
Grace M. Lee	1972
Howard R. Piche	1972
Emmons Smith Fund Committee	
Mary H. Carey	1970
Marion M. Balch	1971
Laurence J. Paul	1972

Appointed

Town Manager – Overseer of Public Welfare

Tax Collector – Building Inspector
Donald E. Crane

Town Accountant, Admin. Assistant, Water Collector
Donna P. Young

Town Counsel
John E. Gormley

Health Officer
James A. Ferguson, M. D.

Public Health Nurse
Mrs. Verne H. Eastman

Budget Committee	Term Expires
Atty. John Gormley	1970
Reynold Guilmette	1970
Randall C. Carr	1970
Dr. J. Edward Perreault	1971
Maynard G. White	1971
Laurance Bryan	1971
Everett W. Rexford	1972
Edna Whyte	1972
Lee Eastman	1972

Representative of Budget Committee
Earle K. Amadon

Zoning Board of Appeal

Henry Gardner	1970
Rodney Marshall	1971
J. Edward Perreault	1972
Charles Fitch	1973
Ethel McCarten	1974

Planning Board

Edna Whyte, Fern Johnson	1970
Paul F. Donovan	1971
Norman Bell	1972
Willard F. Bean	1973

Cemetery Committee
Hugh J. Galbraith, Minnier Currier, Dorothy H. Johnson

Fire Department
Chief, Arthur M. Drake
Asst. Maurice Lee
2nd Asst. Everett Rexford

Chief of Police	Water Dept. Foreman	Highway Foreman
Allvin L. Leonard	Roger N. Emery	Arthur J. Savage

Report to the Citizens

Fellow Citizens:

The annual report of the activities of your municipal government is presented herein. The contents will answer many questions, if you have questions remaining unanswered please inquire. Retain your copy for future reference.

Improvement in the street and road system continued. A major improvement project was the relocation of part of the Martin Meadow Pond Road. The entrance is much safer, the travel improved and the maintenance considerably reduced. Another fact, perhaps unnoticed in the planning, is the scenic view now enjoyed when traveling the improved area in either direction.

The voters approved a bond issue for sewer project and it was the hope the project would be under constructions.

A temporary flood protection project was constructed to serve until a permanent ice retention structure is built.

The year ended in a budget surplus of $2,527.64 which resulted from excess of revenues as expenditures were in excess of appropriations. The current surplus, excess of assets over current liabilities, decreased from $26,034.76 to $22,446.25.

I express my appreciation to the Board of Selectmen for their continued leadership, department heads and employees, the various committee members and the citizens for their cooperation and dedication.

DONALD E. CRANE
Town Manager

LANCASTER TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Lancaster, in the County of Coos, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Col. Town Community House in said Lancaster on Tuesday, the tenth day of March next, at nine thirty o'clock in the forenoon (9:30 a. m.) to act upon the subjects hereinafter mentioned. The polls will be open at said meeting place from ten o'clock in the forenoon (10:00 a. m.) until six o'clock in the afternoon (6:00 p. m.) for the reception of your ballots.

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

2. To vote by ballot on the following questions:

a. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of $1,000,000.00, to be used together with the sum of $1,170,000.00 appropriated at the 1969 Annual Meeting, for the purpose of constructing a municipal sewage disposal system, including sewers, sewage interceptors, pumping station, treatment works and other related facilities and for the acquisition of such land, easements and rights of way as may be required for such construction; and that, to raise this appropriation, the Selectmen be authorized to borrow not exceeding $1,000,000.00 under the Municipal Finance Act; and that the Selectmen be authorized to contract for and accept grants of federal aid in connection with the project, and any such federal aid to be spent for the project in addition to the amount appropriated hereby, provided that the amount actually borrowed under this vote (other than borrowing in anticipation of federal grants) shall not at the time it is borrowed exceed the amount necessary, along with available federal grants and the amount appropriated at the 1969 Annual Meeting, as aforesaid, to pay the total project cost, all as then determined by the Selectmen; and that the Selectmen be authorized to take all action necessary to carry out this vote; and that the Selectmen be authorized to contract for and accept grants of state aid? (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

b. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $23,000.00 for the purpose of paying the Town's share of the cost of constructing a new bridge across Garland Brook on the Garland Brook Road; and for this purpose the Selectmen be authorized to borrow by issue of the serial notes of the Town, in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA, Chapter 33), a sum not in excess of $23,000.00? (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

3. To vote by ballot on the following question:

Do you favor the continuation of the Town Manager Plan as now in force in this Town? (By petition to the Selectmen)

4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and Town Treasurer to borrow a sum or sums not exceeding in the aggregate the amount of the tax commitment of the previous year (1969) in anticipation of the collection of taxes for the current municipal year, and to issue in the name and on the credit of the Town negotiable notes therefor, said notes to be paid in the current municipal year from taxes collected during the current municipal year.

5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to administer or dispose of any real estate acquired by tax collector's deeds.

6. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 36-A and, pursuant thereto, establish a Conservation Commission, so-called, for the purposes and with the powers and duties prescribed by said statute. (By petitiion to the Selectmen)

7. To see if the Town will vote to assume the operation of the Mt. Prospect Ski Area, so-called, now operated by the Mt. Prospect Ski Club and, authorize the Town, through its officers and agents, to apply for and do all other things necessary to obtain such state and federal funds as may be available to carry out improvement projects and purchase equipment in and for said Ski Area, such funds to be used with Mt. Prospect Ski Club funds for these purposes; and, further, to authorize the Town to lease from the State the said Ski Area property.

8. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue as an open highway and make subject to gates and bars a portion of the Martin Meadow Pond Road, so-called, commencing at its intersection with U. S. Route 3 and running southwesterly to where it intersects the new section of Martin Meadow Pond Road constructed in 1969, a distance of approximately sixteen hundred feet.

9. To see if the Town will vote to relocate the supply of water for its domestic, fire and other needs, and to accept from Waumbek Associates, or its organization, the sum of $150,000.00, or any part thereof, and such additional money as will be needed to pay all the costs of, and in any way incidental to, said relocation, **all provided** the Selectmen, in the exercise of their sound discretion, shall determine that Waumbek Associates, or its organization, by its operations and developments, actual or proposed, has or will create conditions requiring a new water supply for the Town's said needs; and **further provided** that: (a) a new water supply is located, which is practically available and fully adequate and proper for the Town's said needs, and acceptable to the Town's Selectmen and engineers for those purposes; and (b) Waumbek Associates, or its organization, shall pay to the

Town all the costs of, and in any way incidental to, said relocation of the water suppy, in advance of any expenditures of the Town for this purpose, at such times and in such amounts as the Selectmen shall determine.

And also to authorize the Selectmen to do all things necessary, desirable and convenient in connection with said relocation including, but not being limited to, the taking by eminent domain of such lands and easements as are needed, all as the Selectmen, in the exercise of of their sound discretion, shall determine. (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

10. To see if the Town will vote to accept the budget as submitted by the budget committee.

11. To direct how money raised for the above purposes be expended.

12. To act upon any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 23rd day of February, 1970.

CARLTON C. JORDAN
EARLE K. AMADON
CHARLES T. BENNETT
Selectmen of the Town of Lancaster

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

CARLTON C. JORDAN
EARLE K. AMADON
CHARLES T. BENNETT
Selectmen of the Town of Lancaster

Town Budget

The proposed budget for the fiscal year 1970 follows: The budget is prepared by the Budget Committee from information furnished by the Board of Selectmen, and other Town Officers. The Budget Committee held a public hearing for a general discussion of all recommended appropriations. Expression from the public is a determining factor as to the amount of appropriations or a particular appropriation. Many long hours were spent by the Committee and Town Officials in preparation of the Budget. It is their feeling that the expression of the Public is reflected in the Budget.

Included is the estimate and actual revenues, appropriations and expenditures of the previous year 1969.

LANCASTER BUDGET FOR 1970

REVENUE

Sources	Estimated 1969	Actual 1969	Estimated 1970
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	$ 12,082.58	$ 12,082.58	$ 12,000.00
Railroad Tax	752.79	752.79	750.00
Savings Bank Tax	3,188.74	3,188.74	3,100.00
Meals and Rooms Tax	9,340.00	9,340.32	9,300.00
Reimbursement a/c State & Federal Forest Lands	335.00	302.07	300.00
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance	250.00	237.50	250.00
State Recreational Land		94.01	94.00
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses	800.00	809.45	800.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	650.00	549.50	650.00
Fines & Forfeits, Municipal Court	3,500.00	4,007.15	4,000.00
Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings	3,500.00	4,549.00	4,500.00
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	3,500.00	4,237.46	4,000.00
P. H. N. Secretary Salary			1,500.00
Income of Departments:			
Parking Meters	5,200.00	5,366.41	5,200.00
Highway, rental of equipment			500.00
Public Health Service Returns	1,500.00	834.33	1,500.00
WMRSD Share - P. H. N.	5,870.03	5,870.03	6,183.64
Income from Municipally Owned Utilities:			
Water Departments	30,000.00	30,968.51	30,900.00
Library Income & Cash on hand	3,575.11	3,877.27	4,133.89
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	28,500.00	30,493.16	30,000.00
Commission on Head Taxes	750.00	766.50	750.00
Sale of Town Property	200.00		100.00
Temporary Use Permit	40.00	40.00	
Income from Investments	1,300.00	1,606.67	12,450.00
Sale of Gasoline & Materials			900.00
Amount Raised by Issue of Bonds or Notes:			
Bridge Construction			21,500.00

Sewer Project	1,170,000.00		1,000,000.00
Budget Surplus	6,000.00	6,000.00	2,500.00
From Local Sources Other Than Property Taxes:			
Poll Taxes—Regular @ $2	2,594.00	2,479,00	2,500.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	665.17	665.17	660.00
Yield Taxes	42.00	42.87	50.00
Added Taxes		1,417.83	
Total Revenues			$1,311,071.53

EXPENDITURES

Purposes of Expenditures	Appro. 1969	Actual Expend. 1969	Appropriations Recommended by Budget Comm. 1970
General Government:			
Reappraisal Town Properties			$ 3,000.00
Town Officers' Salaries	$ 17,380.00	$ 17,144.38	$ 18,315.00
Town Officers' Expenses	7,450.00	7,892.02	7,625.00
Election & Registration Expenses	225.00	324.30	800.00
Municipal and District Court Expenses	3,500.00	3,597.70	3,500.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Bldgs.	7,450.00	8,295.58	8,600.00
Hospital Gr. Insurance	1,802.00	1,562.54	1,787.00
Employees' Retirement and Social Security	6,125.00	5,487.27	6,600.00
Contingency Fund			1,000.00
Protection of Persons & Property:			
Parking Meter Acct.	6,200.00	6,210.07	5,200.00
Police Department	26,925.00	30,416.09	29,375.00
Fire Department	8,975.00	7,275.13	8,500.00
Moth Exterm.—Blister Rust & Care of Trees	2,125.00	2,125.00	2,125.00
Insurance	5,748.00	6,004.15	7,358.00
Planning and Zoning	250.00	4,994.80	250.00
Damages and Legal Expenses	600.00	668.27	1,000.00
Civil Defense	200.00	823.40	200.00
Health:			
Health Dept., Incl. Hospitals & Ambulance	18,129.80	16,442.39	18,102.46
Vital Statistics	350.00	274.00	350.00
Sewer Maintenance	1,500.00	779.44	1,500.00
Town Dump & Garbage Removal	4,750.00	4,802.17	6,100.00
Highways and Bridges:			

Town Maintenance	68,300.00	75,825.23	75,000.00
Street Lighting	11,500.00	11,166.73	11,500.00
Town Road Aid	924.01	924.01	1,051.25
Libraries	12,977.00	12,345.38	15,486.00
Public Welfare:			
Ambulance Service			4,000.00
Town Poor	2,500.00	1,009.87	2,000.00
Old Age Assistance	9,000.00	9,646.55	9,500.00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day & Veterans' Assns.	200.00	200.00	200.00
Recreation:			
Parks & Playgrounds, Incl. Band Concerts	4,000.00	3,886.70	3,900.00
Public Service Enterprises:			
Whitefield Airport			1,000.00
Municipally Owned Water & Electric Utilities	23,400.00	22,900.03	25,100.00
Cemeteries	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Airports	200.00	200.00	200.00
Advertising & Regional Assoc.	5,670.00	5,671.44	5,670.00
Interest:			
On Temporary Loans	2,505.75	3,317.49	11,250.00
On Long Term Notes	1,844.25	1,844.25	1,184.25
Outlay for New Construction & Permanent Improvements:			
Sewer Project	1,170,000.00		1,000,000.00
Highways and Bridges:			
Bridge	2,500.00	2,449.81	21,500.00
Israels River & M. M. Pond ROW Acq.	6,000.00	5,203.81	
New Water Supply			150,000.00
Water Works Construction	2,500.00	2,445.74	2,760.00
Sidewalk Construction			6,500.00
Sewer Construction	500.00		500.00
New Equipment	5,600.00	5,600.00	12,500.00
Indebtedness:			
Payment on Principal of Debt:			
Long Term Notes	14,000.00	14,000.00	12,300.00
Payment to Capital Reserve Funds	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
Total Expenditures	$1,473,305.81	$313,255.74	$1,513,888.96

Board of Selectmen and Town Manager

The Board of Selectmen is responsible for determining policy, appoints the manager and supervises his performance. The Selectmen act as a group, not individually, in instructing the manager.

The Manager is the administrative head of all departments of the Town and is responsible for the efficient administration thereof. He has general supervision of all town property and business affairs of the town and of the expenditures of moneys, appropriated by it for town purposes. He prepares and submits to the Selectmen the annual budget and submits such other reports as may be required. Keeps the selectmen advised as to the needs of the town and of the financial condition and such other duties as may be required of him by vote of the selectmen or as may be required by law or ordinance. The letting, making and performance of all contracts for work done for the town, the purchase of all supplies for the town and to administer the poor relief of the town. He is collector of taxes, and building inspector.

The Board of Selectmen held 24 regularly scheduled meetings and many special meetings, with the Manager present.

The Board of Selectmen amended one ordinance and issued orders for removal of a hazardous building. They appointed members to the Zoning Board of Adjustment, Planning Board and other positions.

They issued various licenses and permits. They selected names for jury duty, and met with various state and federal officials concerning matters of importance to the community.

The Board joined with area communities in forming a multi-town committee to determine in what areas towns may work together to improve services.

Board of Assessors

The Board of Assessors engaged the services of a professional real estate appraiser to do new properties and major additions to existing properties. Other additions and alterations were appraised by the Board. Other taxable property assessed by the Board included boats, gasoline pumps, and wood products. All timber cutting is assessed by the Board.

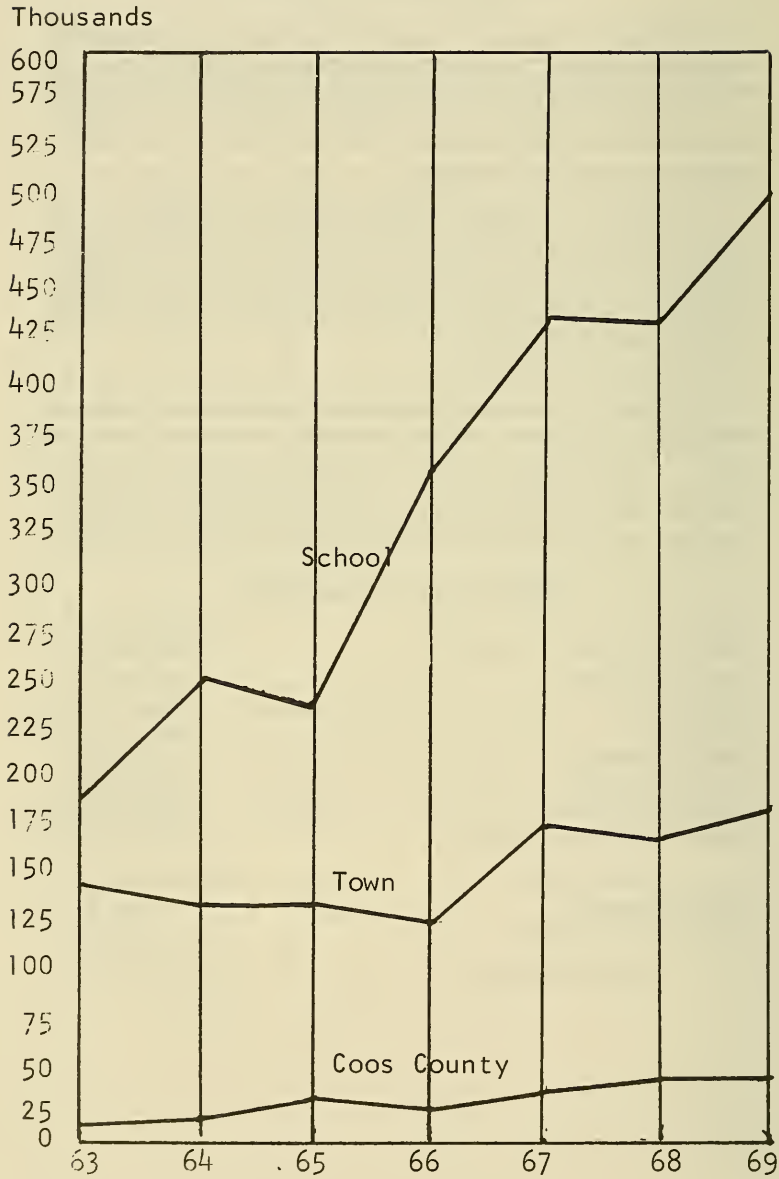
The Board of Assessors visited each farm on April 1st and found fewer taxable animals over the previous year. They assessed 733 cattle and 155 neat stock for a total value of $135,170.00. Each herd is allowed a $1,000.00 exemption in value to eligible applicants. Of the applications filed a total value of $17,155.00 in exemptions were granted.

The Board held meetings to receive inventories, of taxable property and to answer all inquiries relating to them. Veterans exemptions filed were carefully examined and action taken on each. Of the exemptions approved the total in taxes were $12,200. The exemption is now $50.00 in taxes and not on valuation. Veterans and veterans widows must make application before April 16th each year. The application filed in 1970 will be permanent.

SUMMARY OF VALUATIONS

Lands	$ 2,210,716.00
Buildings (inc. house trailers)	9,602,279.00
Stock - In - Trade	1,197,700.00
Electric Plants	679,436.00
Pipe Lines	501,100.00
Factory Machinery	229,225.00
Road Machinery	44,730.00
Animals and Fowls	135,170.00
Pumps, Boats, Wood Products	27,105.00
Total valuation	$14,627,461.00
Blind Exemptions	1,000.00
Livestock Exemptions	17,155.00
Taxable Valuation	$14,609,306.00

AMOUNTS RAISED BY PROPERTY TAXES



Taxes, Revenues and Tax Rate

Property Taxes: The 1969 net taxable valuation of the town was $14,609,306.00 an increase of $449,377.00 over 1968. The largest increase in many years.

New residential property and additions to existing properties accounted for the large increase. Stock-in-trade increased by $55,746.00 and the other items varied as indicated in the summary of values.

Other Taxes: Other taxes include poll taxes, timber taxes, interest and dividend taxes, savings bank and railroad taxes. A complete listing of these taxes may be found under summary of receipts (see index)

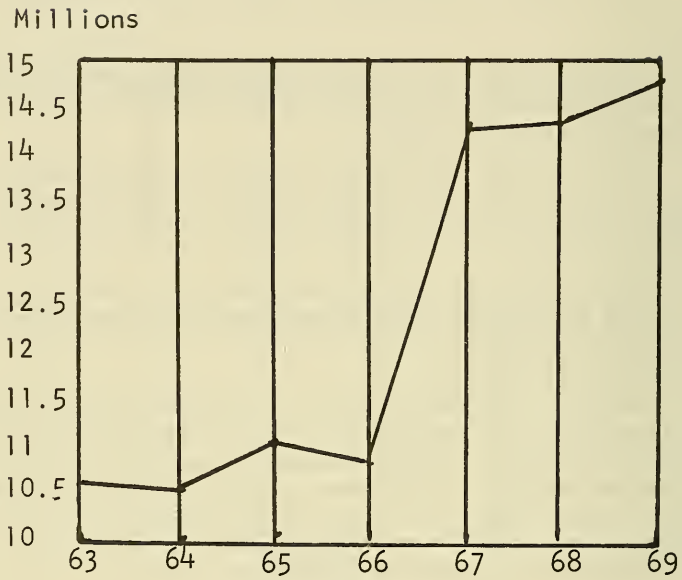
Revenues: Revenues include motor vehicle permits, which brings more to the town than any other single revenue item except water rentals. This year the total from motor vehicle permit fees was $30,493.16. An increase in spite of the loss of registration of snow machines. Water rentals totaled $30,968.51. Other items include court returns, business licenses and rental income. These and others are listed in the summary of receipts.

Tax Rate: The tax rate as approved is $50.80 for each $1,000. of valuation, a rate increase of $4.40. The rate is determined by dividing the net assessed valuation of $14,609,306.00 into the net amounts needed by the School, Country and Town, plus this year $12,200.00 for veterans exemptions. This years property tax total $742,152.74 (see summary) The rate divided among the divisions give the School a rate of $35.10 which is 69% of the property taxes, amounting to $511,107.35 the Town share $178,805.13 for a rate of $13.20 which is 26% and the County rate $2.50 for $35,490.85 which is 5%.

TAX RATES

1966	$3.80
1967	$4.64
1968	$4.64
1969	$5.08

NET ASSESSED VALUATIONS



BUDGET SUMMARY

A comparison of the Town's, School's, (Lancaster's share of the White Mountains Regional School District) and Coos County's budget summaries and share of property taxes is:

Town Budget	1968	1969
Total Appropriation	$ 289,690.44	$1,463,496.01
Estimated Revenues	122,032.65	1,284,690.88
Net raised by property taxes. .	$ 167,657.79	$ 178,805.13
School Budget	$1,327,015.44	$1,453,775.51
Appropriations (Lancaster's share 1968 49.55% - 1969 50.28%)	657,356.37	$ 730,987.40
Less estimated revenues. . .	89,179.03	75,007.05
Less foundation aid	107,285.75	102,014.46
Less unencumbered cash bal.	26,733.03	43,131.17
Plus property adjustment. .	772.62	772.62
Net raised by property taxes	$ 434,931.18	$ 511,607.34
County		
Net raised by property taxes	$ 35,535.58	$ 35,491.85

TRANSFERS AND CREDITS

Appropriation for projects that are not completed, within the fiscal year for which it was approved, the unused balance may be forwarded into the next fiscal year to complete the project. Appropriations that are made in one fiscal year to go with a future appropriation for a particular project or item may also be forwarded. The following items were forwarded to 1969.

Comprehensive Town Plan . . .	$ 5,041.64
Civil Defense	1,200.00
Health Dept.	346.00
Parks & Playgrounds	750.00
Advertising	500.00
Police Dept.	700.00

Some departments earn credits during the year for performing services sale of material, work under State programs, such as Town Road Aid, and reimbursements from other Town Departments, Listed below are the departments and credits received.

Town Officers Expense	$ 137.50
Town Maintenance	3,631.75
Retirement & Social Security	5,238.31
Park Maintenance	270.00
Police Department	2,731.71
Fire Department	1,272.45
Sewer Maintenance	89.80
Water Department	325.96
Hospitalization & Group Ins. .	424.10
Planning and Zoning	40.00
Health Dept.	6,606.12
	$20,767.70

Flood Threat of 1969 and Israel River Improvements

The slogan "We survived the winter of 1969" is appropriate to Lancaster as no flooding of the Israel river occurred, although the threat was with us. Efforts of the N. H. Water Resources, State Civil Defense and other state agencies as well as the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers were prepared for flooding and maintained a 24 hour surveillance of all rivers in N. H., including the Israel river.

Local emergency preparedness plans were developed to meet the threat of flooding. All department heads were responsible for evacuation, communications, auxiliary power and many other duties and responsibilities. The local chapter of the American Red Cross set up disaster headquarters at the Community house for housing, meals and other immediate emergency needs. Flood headquarters were also set up at the community house in the event the town hall became flooded. All persons involved did themselves proud in their efforts, an excellent job.

The U. S. Army Corps of Engineers arrived March 21, 1969 to do emergency work in the Israel River downstream from the Main Street bridge. The work included stream widening and removal of curves and other obstructions. One of the old railroad trestle abutements was removed. The improvements will allow ice cakes to flow freely to the lower lands and the Connecticut River. The emergency work is part of a stream improvement project that has been pending for several years.

To help prevent ice from coming downstream a rock dike was built upstream in the Israel just above the confluence of the Otto brook. The dike was designed to hold ice in the meadow lands and allow water to flow unobstructed. The materials were taken from a ledge on Garland road, the ledge was hauled over a road constructed at the end of Brickyard road to the site.

The effect of the dike was not known because warm days and cold nights controlled the ice melt until late in the season. When the ice did break up it was in small pieces and quantity.

The dike did not prove its effectiveness, but it was not a waste. The material taken from the ledge allowed the town to reduce a curve in the road for safer travel. A road was constructed to the site of the proposed ice retention dam that can be used when actual construction of an ice retention dam begins.

Expression of appreciation of course goes to the Corps of Engineers for the project, but also the landowners for their generous permission to use their lands for access and other purposes. These owners include Mr. Millard Martin, Mr. Gilbert M. Clark and Mr. Charles T. Bennett. Our thanks to Mr. Rudolph Gaynor for allowing access for the downstream project.

Notes Worth Noting

SOME NEW LEGISLATIVE ACTS ADOPTED 1969

TOWN BYLAWS — Allows towns to increase the maximum penalty for violating Town bylaws from $10 to $50 for each offense.

HAWKERS AND PEDDLERS LAW — Local License Abolished, etc., and Home Repair Salesman. Hawkers and peddlers now include a person soliciting household repairs and improvements from town to town. Provision for local licensing abolished. A $10.00 state license plus a $1,000 surety bond or cash deposit with the secretary of state is required. License application requires certificate signed by city police chief: re good moral character. Violaters liable to fine up to $200 which goes to town where offense committed after court costs deducted. Person licensed as hawker and peddler must show his license on demand of mayor, selectman, councilman, city town clerk, police officer, or to person selling his wares to.

SALE OF LAND IN UNAPPROVED SUBDIVISION PROHIBITED. An owner or agent who sells land in a subdivision before approved by planning board and recorded in register of deeds shall forfeit and pay $100 for each lot so transferred or sold and said sale and transfer shall be null and void. City or town may enjoin such transfer or sale or agreement and recover penalty by civil action.

DWELLINGS EXTENDED BEYOND SHORELINE PROHIBITED. Persons prohibited from building or converting a structure for living out beyond shoreline of public water (high water mark) by fine up to $1,000 paid to city or town where building is located.

ZONING LAW CAN REGULATE LOT SIZES. Clarifies power of cities and town by allowing regulation of lot sizes in zoning ordinance.

VERIFICATION OF CHECKLIST REQUIRED EVERY TEN YEARS. Supervisors of the check list must verify check list once every ten years beginning in 1970. Between April 1 and August 1 of each year ending in zero, supervisors must advertise twice in newspaper and hold enough sessions to enable all eligible voters to appear to register. Beginning June 1, supervisors shall strike names of non-registered from list provided thirty days prior notice

of failure to register sent to last known address and no personal knowledge by majority of supervisors of person who failed to register by July 1. By September 1 supervisors must file certificate of compliance with secretary of state.

LOCAL PERMIT TO CUT TIMBER REQUIRED BY NON REAL ESTATE OWNER. Act requires a person who wants to cut timber in a town in which he owns no real estate to apply in writing for and obtain a permit to cut from the assessors, and to furnish a bond or security unless excused in writing by the assessors and to file notice of intent to cut (with state tax commission). Assessors shall issue a permit to cut unless (1) owner neglects, or (2) refuses to provide security, or (3) to file intent to cut. However, owner may start cutting after 24 hours elapsed following receipt of application unless assessors have refused a permit because bond or security not posted as required.

TAXATION OF ORE, SAND, GRAVEL, LOAM WHEN SOURCE OF PROFIT. Real estate is taxed independently from mines or ores-sand, gravel, loam, or similar substance - until these become a source of profit. If these materials or rights are owned by a person other than one to whom real estate taxes, they are taxes as real estate.

ASSESSING — PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS.

PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR ELDERLY. Real estate property tax exemptions of $5,000 appraised value allowed to a person 70 years or over who has (1) domicile in New Hampshire for ten preceding years (2) owned and occupied the real estate for which exemption sought for five preceding consecutive years, (3) a net income from all sources of less than $4,000 or if married a combined net income of less $5,000 per year in both preceding and current year, (4) not over $25,000 in net assets of all kinds including real estate, bank accounts, other personal property, and (5) owns no more than $17,500 equalized value real estate singly or jointly. An application must be filed by April 15 with assessors.

TAX EXEMPTION FOR TOTALLY DISABLED VETERANS INCREASED TO $600. Increased from $400 to $600 tax exemption for property owned by permanently and totally disabled or widow thereof, completed exemption for paraplegic or double amputee living in homestead acquired through Veterans' Administration.

PERMANENT APPLICATION FOR VETERANS EXEMPTION. Requires veterans to file permanent application for property tax exemption for widows of men killed in active duty in armed services.

TOWN CONTINGENCY FUND - SPECIAL ARTICLE IN WARRANT EACH YEAR NOT REQUIRED. Towns may have a contingency fund up to 1% of amount appropriated preceding year without being required to put a special article in the warrant each year.

TOWNS MAY BORROW TO 30% IN ANTICIPATION OF TAXES PRIOR TO TOWN MEETING. To meet necessary expenses from January 1 to annual town meeting, the treasurer, with approval of selectmen, may borrow up to 30% of prior years tax receipts.

PUBLIC HEARING AND PRINTED BALLOT VOTE REQUIRED ON BOND OR NOTE OVER $20,000. On the issue of municipal bonds or notes over $20,000 in any town, a notice of public hearing must be published in newspaper at least fifteen days prior to public hearing. The public hearing must be held at least 15 days prior to the meeting to vote on the issue of bonds or notes. Votes on such towns or district bonds or notes shall be by printed ballots.

OPEN COMPETITIVE BID REQUIRED FOR SALE OR PURCHASE OF OFFICER OF MUNICIPALITY. Public officers who receive wages or salary per diem, cannot contract to sell or buy goods, commodities, or other personal property over $25 from city, town or school district by which said officer is paid - except by open competitive bid.

PERSON PROPERTY TAX LIEN ON MOBILE HOMES. A personal property tax lien for uncollected taxes shall lay on any house trailer, travel trailer, or mobile home used for domestic, commercial, or industrial purposes for one year from October 1 following assessment of tax. Tax collector must file with town clerk a copy of document showing lien, amount of uncollected tax, name and address of person liable, and serial number and description of trailer.

~~DATE AND PENALTY FOR LATE PAYMENT OF POLL~~

DATE AND PENALTY FOR LATE PAYMENT OF POLL TAXES CHANGED. Changes penalty for late payment of poll taxes from six percent to twenty cents (20¢)

INTERIM COMMISSION TO STUDY PROBLEMS OF CONVERSION FROM OPEN DUMPS. A nine member interim commission is set up. Commissions shall study desirability of open dumps, alternatives, state aid, etc., and report its findings to 1971 session of General Court.

STATE MEAT INSPECTION SERVICE ESTABLISHED. Act effective August 30, 1969 though meat packers do not have to comply until January 1, 1970. Act provides for veterinarian and six inspectors administered by State Department of Agriculture.

MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS — REFUSE COLLECTION, DISPOSAL, AND AMBULANCE SERVICES. Allows cities and towns to enter agreements to provide joint construction maintenance, and operation of refuse collection and disposal and joint maintenance and operation of ambulances.

HOSPITAL DIRECTIONAL SIGNS ON PUBLIC HIGHWAYS. Allows state highway commissioner to erect reflective hospital direction signs on state roads - after consultation with local authorities and guarantee that cities and towns will erect similar signs at local expense on local roads.

TAKING OF LAND FOR WATER AND SEWER PROJECTS EXPEDITED. A municipality after an order from the state water supply and pollution control commissioner may acquire land by eminent domain after a majority of voters approve in a town. Appeal of land owners limited to damages. Authorized agents of municipality have full right of immediate entry for purpose of surveys etc.

PUBLIC SAFETY — COURTS, DOGS, FIRE, POLICE

AMBULANCE SERVICE APPROPRIATIONS ALLOWED. Allows cities or towns to aid, support, provide, operate, and appropriate funds for ambulance service. Another act allows cities and towns to enter agreements for joint ambulance operations.

SEARCH WARRANT - AFFIDAVIT AND FORM AMENDED. Act amends form of warrant, affidavit to support application for a warrant and procedures involved. Only judges may issue warrant instead of any justice of the peace.

DOG MENACE AND NUISANCE LAW AMENDED. Dog is a menace or nuisance for added conditions: if it barks during the night hours so as to disturb the peace and quiet or excretes on another's property while it runs at large or while in heat is unconfined (confinement shall mean within an enclosed building not accessible to any other dog.)

Town Clerk's Report

The Town Clerk collected and transferred to the Town the sum of $31,305.34.

Motor Vehicle Permits Issued:

1968	$ 586.98	
1969	29,565.27	
1970	343.64	
		$30,495.89

Dog Licenses Issued:

272 @ $2.00	$ 544.00	
28 @ $5.00	140.00	
Miscellaneous	12.45	
	$ 696.45	
Penalties	113.00	
		$ 809.45

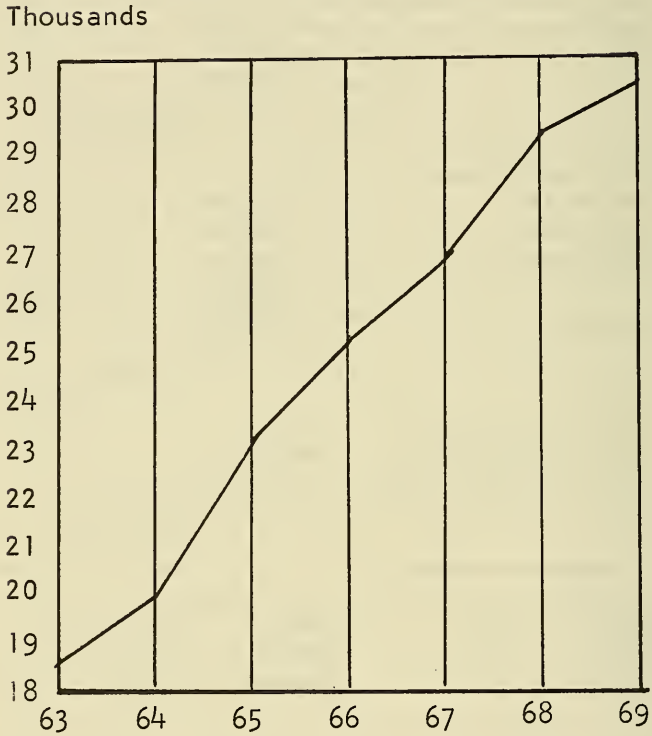
Total Remittances to Town Treasurer:

Motor Vehicle Permits . . .	$30,495.89	
Dog Licenses and penalties	809.45	
		$31,305.34

Vital Statistics recorded:

1969		1968	
Births	182	Births	218
Deaths.	91	Deaths	105
Marriages . . .	33	Marriages . . .	42

MOTOR VEHICLE PERMIT IMCOME



Elections and Registrations

The expense includes costs of warning and conducting town meeting and fees to the Supervisors of the check list for their sessions.

The 1969 Town Meeting had two firsts, the first business meeting to be held in the evening and the first time the town clerk and treasurer was elected for a 3 year term.

It is difficult to determine if the evening meeting was more successful than daytime. There were approximately 270 more people voting during the day than at the evening business session. It did appear that more people attended the meeting. Perhaps the meeting should be alternated every other year.

The polls opened at 10:00 A. M. and closed at 7:00 P. M. for the election of officers, 524 voters cast ballots during these hours and re-elected Charles T. Bennett, Selectman, Dorothy H. Willson, Town Clerk and Treasurer for 3 years, Sinclair Weeks, Trustee of Trust Funds, Harold S. Mountain Library Trustee, and Laurence Paul to the Emmons Smith Fund. Also elected were Grace M. Lee, Howard R. Piche and Robert C. Rich to the Col. Town Spending Committee and Lee E. Eastman, Everett W. Rexford and Edna E. Whyte to the Budget Committee.

The business meeting opened at 7:00 P. M. with approximately 250 people in attendance and the remaining articles were acted upon.

The meeting approved the purchase of a street sweeper, but voted not to authorize the Board of Selectmen to borrow the money. A two-thirds vote is required to borrow money.

The meeting voted a bond issue of $1,170,000.00 for the construction of a municipal sewage disposal system. The issue includes the state share of the project, the town will be responsible for $577,000.00 but later will receive an additional Federal Grant of $147,480.00 and possibly an additional grant of $40,000.00, making the town cost $389,500.00. All related articles were also approved.

A unanimous vote by acclamation was received to appropriate $5,000.00 for land, easements, and rights of way for the down stream flood control project on the Israel River designed by the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers.

By acclamation $1,000.00 was approved and authorized to purchase land to relocate part of Martin Meadow Pond Road to improve its intersection with U. S. Route 3.

Then the meeting approved the Budget as submitted by the Budget Committee and authorized the Board of Selectmen to expend the money as appropriated.

A resolution was adopted - that the Board of Selectmen investigate and report back to the 1970 Town Meeting, what action, if any, to have the Col. Town Investment Committee members elected for 3 year terms.

District Court

The Honorable Walter D. Hinkley is Justice of the Lancaster District Court. The Honorable Paul F. Donovan, Associate Justice and Mr. George Carter, Clerk. The expenditures includes the salaries of the above officers and minor costs. The following financial statement indicates in part the court's activities.

Balance, January 1, 1969		$ 8.46
Receipts During Year:		7,368.15
		$7,376.61
Expenditures During Year:		
Department of Safety	$2,720.24	
Town of Lancaster	3,120.55	
Supplies	52.40	
Witness Fees	24.96	
Fish & Game Department	432.80	
Surety Bonds	14.00	
Blood Tests	82.00	
Association Dues	10.00	
Special Justice Fee	41.60	
		$6,498.55
Balance, December 31, 1969		$ 878.06

Police

Police Department:

It is the policy of the department to give its best while enforcing law and order and at the same time to be courteous, fully aware that policemen are usually the first persons visitors see and their impression of the officers is the impression they will have of the community.

The operating costs include wages of the Chief of Police, three regular officers and special officers. Other costs include operating expense of the cruiser, uniforms, equipment and supplies and retirement contribution for member officers.

Of the Expenditure, $3,200.00 came from parking meter revenue. The department supervises and maintains the parking meters. Also one-half the costs of one officer is received from the N. H. Highway Safety Agency.

During the year the department covered and investigated the following:

ACCIDENTS

Property damage under $100.00	27
Property damage over $100.00	60
Property damage listed as total	14
Accidents requiring medical attention	23
Accidents requiring hospitalization	15
Number of one car accidents	38
Number of two car accidents	47
Number of three car accidents	5
Number of accidents between bicycles and vehicle	2
Number of accidents between deers, cows and horses with vehicles	9
Accidents resulting in fatality	1
Number of accidents resulting in court action	28

Motor Vehicle Court Cases - 150

Failing to Yield	3
Passing on a Yellow Line	33
Failing to Stop at Stop Sign	4
Operating without a license	7
Operating to Endanger	1
Operating after revocation	1
Operating Over Posted Limit	1

Operating without proof of financial responsibility	1
Operating after suspension	2
Driving White Intoxicated	12
Speeding	49
Unreasonable Speed	4
Failing to Report an Accident	1
Failing to Display Lights	1
Operating an Unregistered motor vehicle	2
Failing to have Vehicle Inspected	8
Towing Motor Vehicle without Tow Bar	1
Failing to have Binder Chain	1
Failing to Keep Right	1
Operating with Unsafe Tire	9
Reckless Operation f a Motor Vehicle	2
Operating with a Load Over Length	1
Taking a Motor Vehicle without Authority	5

Criminal Court Cases – 28

Burglary	5
Larceny	3
Illegal Possession of Alcohol by a Minor	4
Drunk and Disorderly	5
Malicious Damage	2
Assault and Battery	2
Illegal Possession of Drugs	3
Derisive Words	1
Larceny of Motor Vehicle	1
Failing to Answer Summons	1
Prowler	1

Juvenile Court Petitions – 7

Juvenile Hearings – 6

Complaints Filed – 470

Dog	61
Family	32
Bad Checks	6
Juvenile	63
Burglary	7
Larceny	4
Malicious Damage	16
Bicycles	6
Motor Vehicles	42
Snowmobile	19
Missing Person	7
Accidental Shooting	2
Nuisance	205

Other Activities

Motor Vehicles Checked	294
Motor Vehicle Warning	234
D E Tags Given	147
Emergency Blood Runs	49
Assistance to Sick and Injured	36
Assistance to Motorist in Trouble	184
Doors and Windows Found Open	390
Parking Tickets Given	763

Planning and Zoning

Zoning:

The Building Inspector received 23 applications for new buildings, additions and alterations to existing structures and for locating mobil homes. Permits were issued to 16 applicants and 7 applications denied. The permits issued were in the following categories with the estimated costs of construction:

1 new residences	$ 20,000.00
3 garages, residential	4,600.00
2 commercial buildings	40,000.00
8 alterations or additions	11,000.00
1 industrial building	200,000.00
1 nursing home addition	50,000.00
	$325,600.00

The Zoning Board of Adjustment heard seven appeals, five requesting a variance to build a structure within 10' of a side property line, all appeal were granted. Two cases requesting permission to locate a mobil home, one request was granted for a temporary time and the other denied.

PLANNING:

The Lancaster Planning Board continued its regularly scheduled meetings, the second Monday evening each month, throughout the year. Several hearings were held to act on proposed sub-divisions, each approved with modification.

The comprehensive plan got underway this year and is expected to be completed early 1971. We look forward to receiving and implementing the completed plan.

Zoning Ordinance changes are planned and review of other and new ordinances will be given consideration in the year ahead. All recommended changes or additions require two public hearings and a vote of the public.

Public Works

Highway Department:

The highway department is responsible for maintenance of all streets, roads and sidewalks. The department operates with three gravel trucks, two with plows, one grader, with plow a front end loader and a backhoe and are responsible for their maintenance. The town garage is equipped with necessary tools for repair and servicing equipment. The personnel do an excellent job in the care of all vehicles and other equipment.

Approximately four and one-half miles of town streets and one and one-half miles of rural roads were resurfaced with asphalt. Page Hill Road, to the trailer park was surfaced with asphalt for improved travel and maintenance. The remainder of McGary Hill Road was also surfaced treated with asphalt.

The Town Road Aid program was expanded in the relocation project of part of the Martin Meadow Pond Road. The new section, nearly a flat grade, improved sight distance at the intersection with U. S. 3 and safe surves, all for safer travel. The new section requires less winter maintenance than the old section did with its steep grade and dangerous intersection.

A short section of Garland Road was improved with the removal of a curve. The work was completed after the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers removed a section of ledge used to construct a dike.

A twin culvert bridge was installed near Harold Alden's mill on Garland Brook to replace an old wood deck bridge. The approaches were improved at the same time.

The 40 miles of street and roads and eight miles of sidewalks were plowed, sanded and salted as needed.

The unusual heavy snow fall, the heaviest on record, kept the highway department crew and equipment working with snow the entire winter. The cost of equipment maintenance as a result was felt. On February 10th, with the snow and winds, Stebbins Hill Road was filled and was not cleared for 12 hours. Other areas were plugged for shorter periods. In spite of this the roads were maintained in good traveling conditions.

Parks were mowed, flowers planted and other maintenance work completed.

The town dump was maintained and a part time attendant furnished. The program of rodent control was continued.

WATER DEPARTMENT:

The water department is maintained through water rental income. The operating costs include wages, equipment expense, materials and supplies.

A new 6" water main was begun on Elm Street near the residence of Mrs. Lee Merrow and will extend to where the existing 6" main ends near the residence of Edgar Libby. An additional hydrant was added for improved fire protection. Additional 6" water pipe was purchased to complete other small line replacements.

There were water service lines replaced and 2 new services added to the system plus 8 new customers in trailer parks.

Two hydrants were replaced with new style hydrants and with gates added for improved control. The chlorinator plant was operated, free of interruptions. Repairs were done as required within the distribution and transmission system as well as at the headwaters.

Fire Department

Under the direction of Fire Chief Arthur M. Drake, the department answered 29 alarms which included 12 residential calls, 3 industrial or commercial, 4 grass fires, 3 auto, 1 camp trailer, 3 assistance to other towns and 3 false alarms.

The department spent 148 man hours burning grass in the spring upon request to reduce hazards to property.

Training programs continued within the department. New programs as well as instruction to new firemen. Asst. Chief Maurice Lee is the training officer and conducts most of the training programs.

The upstairs of the new station is complete. The firemen have completed the kitchen using their own money and manpower.

The firemen can be and are proud of their meeting quarters.

Public Welfare

Town Welfare — The town welfare program is administered by the Overseer of Public Welfare. There were 5 cases of direct relief involving 8 adults and 15 children. Most cases are of short duration until they are accepted under a state aid program or until employment can be found.

The new medicaid program helped reduce local costs. The medicaid program is designed to assist persons who do not have the means to provide for their medical care or who can do so only at a great financial sacrifice.

Through this program, pharmaceutical, laboratory, skilled nursing home care, and physicians' services are supplied in whole or in part. In determining eligibility for these services, certain limitations have been established on the amount of annual income and assets that persons may have.

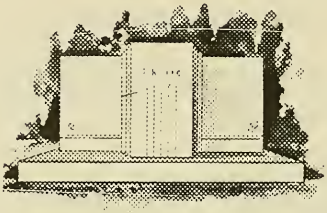
Further information and applications may be had by contacting the N. H. Dept. of Welfare Office, Berlin, N. H. or by contacting the Town Office for information.

State Welfare Assistance — These programs are administered by the State Department of Welfare and is financed jointly by Federal, State and Local governments. The expenditure is Lancasters share of Lancaster persons, over the age of 65 years, eligible to receive assistance under the program.

Information concerning these programs may be received by contacting the Town Office or by calling the N. H. Dept. of Public Welfare, Berlin, N. H.

PUBLIC WELFARE COSTS

1963	$12,729.00
1964	$11,413.00
1965	$11,918.00
1966	$12,102.46
1967	$11,104.85
1968	$9,993.01
1969	$10,656.42



Municipal Cemeteries

The maintenance costs of Municipal Cemeteries and income is included in the statement below. Of the total $2,500.00 is raised by taxation, the balance from other sources and nearly 50% coming from trust funds. The cemeteries include the Wider Cemetery (Main Street). Summer St. Cemetery and No. 10 on the Martin Meadow Pond Road.

Balance — January 1, 1969		$ 988.97
Receipts During Year:		
Income from Trust Funds	$ 9,000.60	
Town Appropriation	2,500.00	
New Funds	2,350.00	
Burials	1,206.00	
Care of Lots	879.00	
Sale of Lots	675.00	
Winter Vault Rental	70.00	
		$16,680.60
		$17,669.57
Expenditures During Year:		
Personal Services	$12,014.25	
Trustee of Trust Funds - New funds	2,350.00	
New Equipment	259.50	
Supplies and Materials	630.37	
Equipment Rentals	625.00	
Social Security Taxes	530.45	
Repairs to Equipment	488.20	
Refund on Sale of Lot	200.00	
Insurance	55.00	
Heat. Light & Power	85.62	
		$17,238.39
Balance — December 31, 1969 . . .		$ 431.18

Weeks Memorial Library

The library continues to be a busy place in the community. Especially gratifying this year has been the number of people who are reading the large type books. These books, having much larger than usual print, are provided from state funds for the use of people with sight problems. The collection of 150 or so is an excellent one containing popular as well as older titles.

Much use has also been made of the State Library Film Service. Any group wanting films for programs may select titles from a long list provided by the state library. Usually these films will be available on dates needed if adequate notice is given.

Our long time trustee, Mrs. Ethel McCarten resigned and Mrs. Grace Lee was chosen to fill her position as secretary to the trustees. We wish to thank Mrs. McCarten for her loyal years of service to the library.

Again we extend an invitation to the people of Lancaster to avail themselves of the library's many and varied services.

BARBARA G. MILLER, Librarian

CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT

The children's department is buzzing with reading activity each day and the circulation shows an increase in readers of the pre-school and young "beginning to read" youngsters.

There is close cooperation with the school as teachers continue to borrow large collections for their classrooms to either suppliment subjects being studied, or for general pleasure reading. This is very gratifying as many pupils can be reached who are not regular borrowers of the library.

The new Book of Knowledge was purchased and has already proved its usefulness in connection with school work.

New books which cover a large range in age groups and variety are always arriving and put into immediate circulation. Reviews of the new books available appear in the Library Notes of the weekly Democrat.

Thanks again to the Siwooganock Bank for so generously supplying us with plastic book bags to protect books carried home by the children.

Appreciation of the children's room is constantly shown. Parents visiting for the first time, newcomers to town, as well as summer residents and visitors, show surprise and pleasure in the attractive room and books available.

You are welcome to visit and see the service which you help to support.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS.) ELIZABETH CURRIE

TREASURER'S REPORT
Year Ending December 31, 1969

Receipts:		
Balance on hand 1/1/69	$ 775.11	
Received from:		
Fines	193.95	
Col. Town Fund	1,550.00	
Trust Funds	1,323.67	
Town of Lancaster	9,402.00	
Shurtleff Fund	2,500.00	
Brackett Fund & Hastings Bond	34.54	
		$15,779.27
Expenditures:		
Salaries	$ 5,400.00	
Substitutes	1,541.40	
Water Rent	30.00	
Heat	487.53	
Bond for boiler	48.00	
Treasurer's bond	22.00	
Purchase bond Shurtleff Fund	2,038.16	
Deposit in Savings Bank (Shurtleff Fund)	461.84	
Insurance	576.00	
Inspect boiler	2.00	
Flowers	27.28	
Dues	13.00	
Supplies (office and janitor)	219.49	
Lights and Telephone	336.36	
Maintenance	21.05	
Social Security	327.58	
Books - Adult	2,304.31	
Books - Juvenile	586.33	
Periodicals	403.05	
		$14,845.38
1/1/70 Balance on check book		$ 933.89

Public Health

Public Health Nursing – The Lancaster Public Health Nursing Agency has shown a great increase in services rendered this past year. We remain a Home Health Agency under the Social Security Act. This year our grant totalled eighteen hundred and twenty-five dollars ($1825.00). A condition to receive the grant required that we extend our service. Accordingly our service was extended to include, on a trial basis, the town of Whitefield, effective April 1, 1969. Mrs. Kathryn Barton, R. N., employed by this agency under the Federal Grant has been responsible for the Nursing care rendered to Whitefield residents.

Mrs. Stewart Foss continues to serve as the secretary for the agency.

Visits Giving Health Services

Antepartum	11
Postpartum	68
Well Child or Infant	304
Mentally Retarded	2
Orthopedic or Amputee	227
Cardias, cong. or other	191
C. V. A.	267
Cancer	92
Diabetes	229
Arthritis	244
Mental Health	140
Other Handicapped	173
Injury	15
Total	1953

Age Group Served

0-1	71
1-4	29
5-17	57
18-20	99
20-44	268
45-64	405
65 and over	1114
Total	1953

CHILD HEALTH STATION

Eleven clinics were held in 1969. Good utilization continues to be made of these clinics. Mrs. Leonard James assist at each clinic with one other volunteer from Mahaney-Brisson Post.

Number of C. H. S. held	11
Total Attendance	247
DPT Immunizations	174
Sabin Polio Vaccine	167
Measles Vaccine	14

Age Group Served

0-1	121
1-4	90
5 and over	36
Total	247

Measles Clinics were held in May and November with Dr. B. H. Blodgett the attending physician at each of these. A total of 132 children were immunized.

The Emmons Smith Fund provided help to several local families needing temporary assistance. The facilities of White Mountain Community Services remain available to us on a consulting or referral basis.

Perhaps our most notable effort was a Diabetic Screening Clinic held in March in conjunction with the N. H. Dept. of Health and Welfare. A total of 640 residents were tested with several new diabetics being found. Mrs. Priscilla Evans volunteered as chairman of this project and she and her volunteers deserve much praise.

Services Provided by the State Dept. of Health and Welfare

	No. of persons attending:
Crippled Children's Services	19
Pediatric Cardiac Clinic	5
Sight Conservation	9

I would like to express my thanks to the local physicians for their support and help in carrying out the various clinics and programs. Also to the members of the Public Health Nursing Committee for their support and guidance during the past year. A committee of sixteen, they give freely of their time to regular meetings and programs.

The officers for 1969 were:

Mrs. James Ferguson	Chairman
Mrs. Elwin Falkenham	Vice-chairman
Mrs. Benjamin Blodgett	Secretary
Mrs. Frank Wallace	Treasurer

Respectfully submitted,
VERNE H. EASTMAN, P. H. N.

DENTAL CLINIC

The New Hampshire State Department of Health and Welfare established in 1954 a matching funds program to provide a control and dental health education program for children of the lower elementary grades.

Under this program State funds are provided to match monies raised locally. Last year the Town of Lancaster budgeted $250.00 to this, giving a total of $500.00 for clinics.

The sponsoring organization is the Lancaster Public Health Nursing Agency. Their responsibilities include making application each year for state monies, obtaining clinic dates from Dr. J. E. Perreault and providing transportation to and from the clinics.

In the school year 1968-1969 sixteen clinics of two hours each were held. Sixty children attended with fourteen returning for additional treatment.

Debt Service

Long Term Notes and Interest – Principal payment on long term notes totaled $14,000.00 which included four notes. The total debt as of December 31, 1969 is $25,300.00. The schedule of the notes follows:

Temporary Loan and Interest – This cost for interest on the temporary loans. The town borrowed $200,000.00 for a period of 6 months. Early payment of taxes would eliminate the borrowing of short term notes.

STATEMENT OF LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS
Showing Annual Maturities of Principal and Interest
As of December 31, 1969

	Water Line Notes 4%
Amount of Issue	$19,000.00
Date of Issue	October 1, 1960
Principal Payable Date	October 1
Interest Payable Dates	April 1 and October 1
Payable At	Siwooganock Guaranty Sav. Bk.

Maturities – Fiscal Year Ending:	Prin.	Int.
December 31, 1970	$1,000.00	$40.00
	$1,000.00	$40.00

	New Fire Station Notes 4¾%
Amount of Issue	$40,000.00
Date of Issue	October 3, 1966
Principal Payable Date	October 3
Interest Payable Dates	April 3 and October 3
Payable At	Siwooganock Guaranty Sav. Bk.

Maturities – Fiscal Year Ending:	Prin.	Int.
December 31, 1970	$8,000.00	$760.00
December 31, 1971	8,000.00	380.00
	$16,000.00	$1,140.00

	Fire Truck Notes 4¾%
Amount of Issue	$7,300.00
Date of Issue	April 5, 1967
Principal Payable Date	November 1
Interest Payable Dates	November 1 and May 1
Payable At	Lancaster National Bank

Maturities – Fiscal Year Ending:	Prin.	Int.
December 31, 1970	$1,300.00	$61.75
	$1,300.00	$61.75

	Mechanic Street Bridge Notes 4¾%
Amount of Issue	$13,000.00
Date of Issue	April 5, 1967
Principal Payable Date	November 1
Interest Payable Dates	November 1 and May 1
Payable At	Lancaster National Bank

Maturities – Fiscal Year Ending:	Prin.	Int.
December 31, 1970	$2,000.00	$322.50
December 31, 1971	2,000.00	237.50
December 31, 1972	2,000.00	142.50
December 31, 1973	1,000.00	47.50
	$7,000.00	$750.00

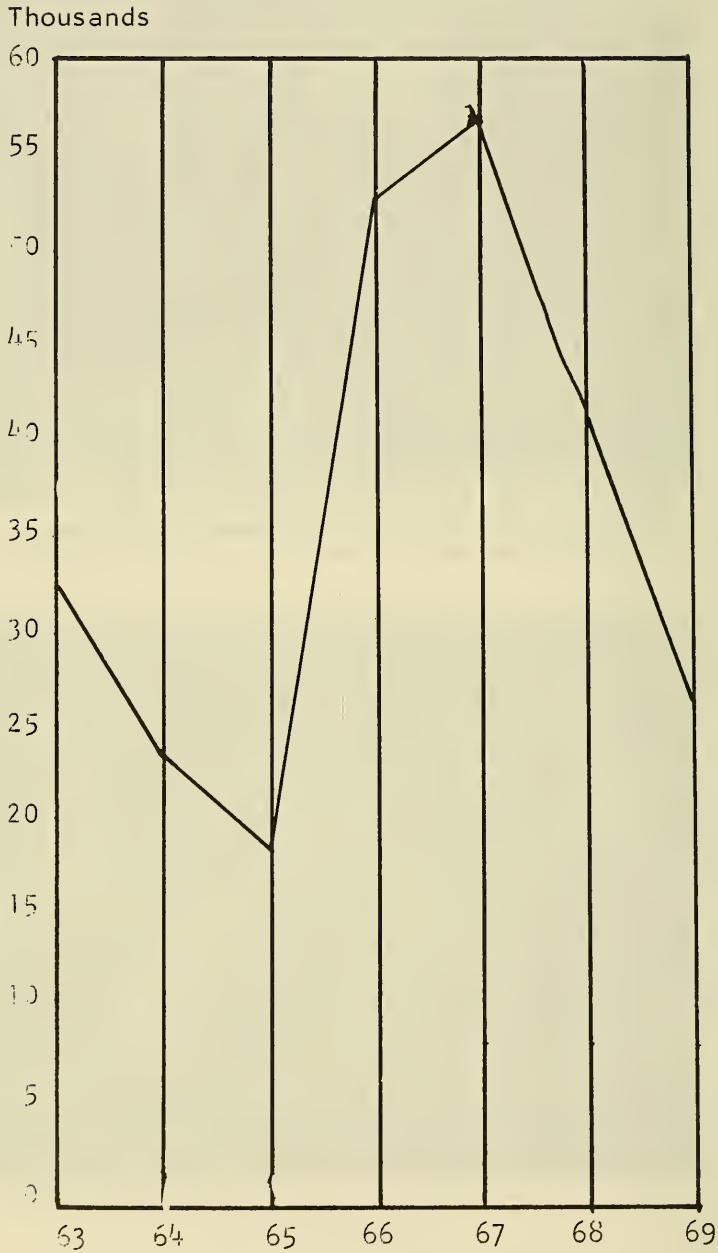
A TENNIS CLINIC SPONSORED BY New England Tennis Association conducted by Stan Gibson was held in Lancaster last summer. Rev. Sheie and Mrs. John Colborn (background) were among adults assisting.

GARDNER WENTWORTH working with the string section of recreation music program.

PRESENTING JACKETS TO LANCASTER members of State Championship Babe Ruth team was Dudley Johnson, Rotary Club President.

Col. Town Senior Citizens ready to leave on their "mystery ride."

TOWN DEBT



Advertising — Promotional

Information Booth — Mrs. Glenn S. Sheridan, Attendant, assisted by Mr. William Wallace, reports that 1969 was the second biggest year, but although running 8% ahead until the first week in August it did not hold as it did not throughout the state. The weather is one of the emponderables and it had some bearing on the drop. A busy year overall at the booth.

There were 3112 cars and 10,260 people in comparison with 3294 cars and 10,762 people in 1968. Evidence that the information is a good way to advertise the town.

White Mountains Region Association: The 1969 program included printing and distribution of 270,000 folders promoting the White Mountains Region. Received and answered in their office 7,490 inquiries from people interested in the region. Continued to develop whitewater canoeing through canoeing programs and races held on the Androscoggin and Saco Rivers. Proposed and established a commission representing both public and private interests to govern the Summit of Mt. Washington. Worked to restore the State of New Hampshire promotional budget.

Assisted in securing an appropriation for the Bedell Covered Bridge Park in Haverhill. Assisted the 4-H Club program through presentation of annual awards. Wrote 38 news releases, mainly to inform people in the region of important economic issues. Wrote 4 magazine articles.

Successfully promoted more funds for better rehabilitation services for the north country. Posted the annual Fall Foliage tours for the 21st season. Formed a bi-state study committee to study the many proposals concerning the Connecticut River Basin. Assisted the office of Industrial Development in securing data for industrial development. Assisted the proposed Crawford Notch Steam Railroad with promotional work. Went on record favoring the preservation of the Lincoln Airport and participated in meetings regarding the interstate highway in Franconia Notch. Pioneered and promoted the concept of long distance trails for snowmobile use.

Industrial Recreational and Business Promotion — The efforts of these valued promotional programs are carried out by the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce. Promotion is a big job and

requires many hours by many people and the cooperation of all citizens. The future development of the Community may depend how well the job is done.

The Chamber is attempting to make Lancaster the business center of the area and a better place in which to live. They encourage existing business and new business to locate here.

They print the town folders and the accomodation folders and distribute them to individuals, information booth, travel agents and auto clubs, in addition to the many mailings. Other publicity materials are printed and distributed.

The Chamber exerts a lot of energy in Industrial Development. Working with other agencies and contacting potential industries by mail, telephone and in person.

Industrial space is provided for industry in the industrial park on North Main, the Chamber made this possible.

Col. Town Spending Committee

SECRETARY'S REPORT

To: George E. Hunter, Jr., Chairman
Colonel Town Spending Committee

The Colonel Town Spending Committee is composed of nine members, George E. Hunter, Jr., Mrs. Grace Lee, Mrs. Priscilla Evans, Mrs. Nathalie Wheeler, Attorney Robert Rich, Attorney Paul Donovan, Dr. J. Edward Perreault, Mr. Charles Bennett and Mr. Howard Piche.

Three members are elected annually at the town meeting to serve on the committee for three years. Last March Mrs. Grace Lee and Attorney Robert Rich were re-elected and Mr. Howard Piche was elected to replace Mr. Clinton White.

At the March meeting of the committee, Mr. George Hunter, Jr. was elected Chairman, Mrs. Grace Lee, Treasurer, and Mrs. Nathalie B. Wheeler, Secretary.

Committees were appointed by the Chairman as follows:

House Committee: Charles Bennett, Chairman, Mrs. Grace Lee and Mrs. Nathalie Wheeler.

Field Committee: Attorney Paul Donovan, Chairman, Dr. J. Edward Perreault, and Mr. Howard Piche.

Camp Committee: Mr. George E. Hunter, Jr., Chairman, Mrs. Priscilla Evans , and Attorney Robert Rich.

Scholarship Committee: Attorney Robert Rich, Chairman, George E. Hunter, Jr. and Mrs. Priscilla Evans.

Four meetings of the entire committee were held during the year, with various subcommittees meeting as required.

The Kiwanis Club indicated to the Colonel Town Committee that they no longer felt they could sponsor the Skating Rink. The Committee voted to provide personnel to operate the rink and to continue it as a part of the Recreation Program. During the summer months baseball, swimming pool, playground and camp activities were provided. A new program co-sponsored by the Coos Extension Service was very popular. Andrew Hartford working under the U. N. H. Junior Work-Study Program, led the Up, Up and Away Climbing Club on weekly trips up area mountains.

The annual Halloween Party was very well attended with activities planned for younger and older age groups.

A dinner in honor of Clinton White, who has served for many years on the committee, was held at the community House, catered by the Senior Citizens Group.

The Col. Town properties are constantly being evaluated for their proper maintenance and repair. A new grill was constructed and re-located at the Community Camp to replace the large main grill which has been demolished by the previous winter's heavy snows.

Further details of the Recreation Program will be found in the report of the Director of Recreation. See Treasurer's report for funds appropriated in response to special requests.

The Committee wish to express appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Leaver and their staff for their cooperation during the past year and to the townspeople for their interest.

Respectfully submitted,

Nathalie B. Wheeler, Secretary
Col. Town Spending Committee

Colonel F. L. Town Income Spending Committee
Statement of Receipts, Expenditures and Proof of Balance
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1969

Balance - January 1, 1969		$19,251.63
Receipts During Year:		
Colonel F. L. Town Trust Fund	$49,681.64	
Town of Lancaster Appropriation	1,200.00	
Play School Tuition	2,444.15	
Special Activities	2,731.17	
Pool Fees	2,337.85	
House Fees	200.40	
Camp Fees	289.34	
Sponsors	500.00	
Kiwanis Club - Skating Rink	565.38	
Refunds	249.59	
Donation	25.00	
Interest Income	377.88	
		60,602.40
		$79,854.03

Expenditures During Year:

Appropriations	$ 1,950.00	
Salaries and Wages	27,855.51	
New Construction and Equipment	6,559.60	
Supplies and Repairs	1,979.53	
Water Rent	183.00	
Telephone and Electricity	1,542.24	
Fuel	1,016.49	
Social Security and Pensions - Employer's Share	2,134.32	
Insurance	2,737.55	
Camp, Field and Pool Expenses	4,285.55	
Playground and Recreation	2,624.27	
Special Activities and Play School Ex.	3,093.26	
Skating Rink	416.71	
Miscellaneous	607.65	
		$56,985.68
Balance - December 31, 1969		$22,868.35

COL. TOWN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Balance on hand, December 31, 1969	$ 832.19
Interest: Jan., Apr., July & Oct.	42.49
Payment on loans	1,890.00
	$ 2,764.68
Loans granted (5)	1,500.00
Postage and typing	37.50
Balance on hand, December 31, 1969	$ 1,227.18

ROBERT C. RICH
Chairman

Col. Town Recreation Program

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Lancaster can be proud of its excellent recreation facilities and the members of the Col. Town Spending Committee which makes full use of the facilities. The spirit of cooperation of groups, organizations and individuals who use the Community House, athletic field, Community Camp and skating rink has sparked the growth of the recreation program.

Facility improvement received high priority from the Spending Committee during 1969. All walls and ceilings in the house portion of the building received a fresh coat of paint. The athletic field drainage system was extended to eliminate wet conditions in the playground area behind the grandstand. The group picnic shelter at the Community Camp collapsed last winter and the new shelter was relocated to provide more play area and group privacy.

The Col. Town sponsored athletic teams continued to build a winning tradition. The seventh and eighth grade basketball squad enjoyed a 20-2 season. The 12 and under team captured the North Country Recreation Department's tournament championship. The swim team, under coach Jim Quay, included 57 boys and girls. The swimmers won four of five duo meets, split into two teams and won first and second places in the North Country meet, participated in the Manchester Rotary meet and finished fourth in the Recreation Society state meet. Forty-five Lancaster boys and girls combined their track and field talents to win the North Country track and field meet held in Lancaster. Six local boys played key roles for the Littleton-Lancaster state championship Babe Ruth team.

The summer program featured swimming instruction with 130 of the 357 registered (plus 57 on swim team) advancing at least one level. Sixty boys participated in the midget baseball program. The VFW sponsored Little League team won the first place trophy with the Rotary team edging the Knights of Columbus in a playoff game for second place. The defending champion, Kiwanis, tied with the Groveton Yankees for fourth place. Other summer activities included the two Babe Ruth teams, tennis instruction, adult swim lessons, the mountain climbing club co-sponsored with the Coos County Extension Service, girls softball, men's softball, a varied playground program and instrumental music instruction. Mr. Gardner Wentworth's volunteer leadership of the music program which developed into a year-round activity added a new dimension to the overall program. The summer season was capped

off with a week long basketball school co-sponsored by the Rotary and VFW clubs.

Two soccer leagues were formed in the fall. The midget league played noon hours behind the elementary school under the supervision of the recreation staff. The four team 6, 7 and 8 grade league played after school at the Community Field. The Spending Committee again made their facilities available to WMRHS for soccer at no cost. The Col. Town Teenage Council sponsored the Halloween Penny Carnival which was a big success.

Lancaster women began using the gymnasium mornings for jogging and exercise in September and are still going strong. The highlight of the year for the very active Senior Citizens was a trip to Boston for the Ice Follies.

Planned improvements for 1970 include continued updating of the House electrical system. repairing of the library flat roof areas, resurfing of the playground area and some landscaping inside the center oval at the Community Camp. A trampoline will be added to the equipment inventory.

Conducting recreation programs that meet the needs of Lancaster residents from pre-school through senior citizens, providing facilities that accomodate the needs of the various organizations and improving Lancaster's recreation service is our continuing aim. With the help of the Spending Committee and your continued cooperation, recreation will take another step forward in 1970.

Col. F. L. Town Trust Fund

For the Year Ended December 31, 1969

Investments, December 31, 1968		$ 813,391.45
Income from Investments		50,143.71
Profits on Securities Sold		194,057.71
		$1,057,592.87
Paid to Col. F. L. Town Spending Committee	$ 49,681.64	
Administration Expense	462.07	
Investments, December 31, 1969	1,007,449.16	
		$1,057,592.87
Original Trust Fund 1926		$ 335,022.50
Profits		720,026.15
		$1,055,048.65
Losses		47,599.49
		$1,007,449.16

Respectfully submitted,
Raymond J. Carr
Treasurer

INVESTMENTS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1969

Deposits

Siwooganock Guaranty Savings Bank, Lancaster, N. H.		$ 9,015.23

Bonds

50,000	U. S. Treasury Bills due 5/31/70	$ 47,057.88	
35,000	U. S. Treasury Notes 5¼% due 5/15/71	33,785.94	
35,000	U. S. Treasury Notes 4¾% due 5/15/72	32,473.44	
11,000	U. S. Treasury Notes 53/8% due 11/15/71	10,972.51	
8,000	U. S. Treasury Notes 5¾% due 2/15/75	8,068.00	
40,000	U. S. Treasury Notes 6½% due 5/15/76	39,562.80	

30,000	U. S. Treasury Notes 7¾% due 5/15/73	30,714.16
7,000	U. S. Treasury Bonds 4% due 8/15/72	7,000.00
25,000	U. S. Treasury Bonds 41/8% due 11/15/73	25,000.00
25,000	U. S. Treasury Bonds 41/8% due 2/15/74	24,921.88
7,500	U. S. Treasury Bonds 37/8% due 11/15/74	7,500.00
15,000	Federal Nat'l Mortgage Assn. 41/8% due 9/10/70	15,000.00
16,000	Northern Indiana Public Serv. Co. 4½% due 4/15/93	16,000.00
20,000	Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co. 51/8% due 8/1/80	20,000.00
15,000	Philadelphia Electric Co. 5% due 10/1/89	15,000.00
20,000	Southern California Edison Co. 4¾% due 7/1/82	20,000.00
10,000	Southern Pacific Co. - Ore. Lines 4½% due 3/1/77	10,000.00
20,000	Southern Pacific Co. Equip. Trust Ctf. 51/8% due 4/1/78	18,656.60
		$428,775.71

Stocks

500 shs.	American Tel. & Tel. Company	$ 27,534.80
600 shs.	Bank of N. Y. Co. Inc.	28,195.05
1075 shs.	Cincinnati Gas & El. Co.	25,511.68
700 shs.	Consumers Power Company Common	24,239.54
1215 shs.	CP Financial Corp.	15,704.50
600 shs.	Duquesne Light Co. Common	17,776.88
2915 shs.	Eaton & Howard Balanced Fund	12,188.18
350 shs.	Fed. Nat'l Mortg. Assn.	26,300.83
694 shs.	First Nat'l Bank of Boston	16,616.27
500 shs.	General Motors Corp.	41,749.01
885.039 shs.	Investors Stock Fund, Inc.	19,906.03

1000 shs.	Iowa Power & Light Co.	27,357.50	
1000 shs.	Marine Midland Banks, Inc.	37,375.00	
500 shs.	Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.	15,107.20	
3212 shs.	Nation Wide Securities Co., Inc.	16,440.78	
500 shs.	New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	22,133.71	
970 shs.	Ohio Edison Co. Common	23,650.77	
770 shs.	Peoples Gas Co.	27,308.81	
2500 shs.	Puritan Fund, Inc.	27,100.00	
400 shs.	R.J.Reynolds Tobacco Company	16,796.68	
500 shs.	Smith, Kline & French Laboratories	20,320.65	
437 shs.	Southern N. E. Tel. Co.	23,533.34	
630 shs.	Union Electric Co. Common	15,221.07	
726 shs.	Wisconsin Electric Power Co., Common	17,538.19	
1300 shs.	Wisconsin Public Serv. Co., Common	24,051.75	
			$ 569,658.22
			$1,007,449.16

Report of Trust Fund

Summary of Trust Funds, Principal, Income and Investments
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1969

PRINCIPAL

	BALANCE January 1, 1969	NEW FUNDS and Additions	LOSSES from Sales	BALANCE December 31, 1969
Cemetery Funds	$ 98,613.49	$ 2,400.00	$1,562.50	$ 99,450.99
Helen Wilder Cross Dennison Fund . . .	2,631.57			2,631.57
George M. Stevens Trust	60,113.61		8.16	60,105.45
Historical Trust	1,000.00		442.80	557.20
Weeks Memorial Library Funds	13,235.35			13,235.35
School Funds	2,153.95			2,153.95
Emmons S. Smith Fund	14,800.25			14,800.25
Capital Reserve Funds - Town	30,393.60	8,352.09		38,745.69
James L. Dow Tree Fund	5,000.00		766.79	4,233.21
Alice Catherine Monahan Trust	367.60	132.60		500.00
	$228,309.42	$10,884.69	$2,780.25	$236,413.86

INCOME

Balance January 1 1969	Earned During Year	Expended During Year	Balance December 31, 1969	Balance of Principal & Income December 31, 1969
$1,746.03	$ 5,633.71	$ 5,633.71	$1,746.03	$101,197.02
1,090.30	252.68	270.00	1,072.98	3,704.55
	5,052.60	5,052.60		60,105.45
	13.12	13.12		557.20
	1,473.86	1,473.86		13,235.35
	170.83	170.83		2,153.95
	1,688.32	1,688.32		14,800.25
				38,745.69
534.03	148.82	313.30	369.55	4,602.76
				500.20
$3,370.36	$14,433.94	$14,615.74	$3,188.56	$239,602.42

INVESTMENTS

On Deposit:

Cheshire County Savings Bank	$ 2,000.00
Lancaster National Bank Checking Acct.	1,429.98
Siwooganock Guaranty Savings Bank . .	96,264.46

Bonds:

U. S. Government Bonds - 2½%	3,500.00
U. S. Government Bonds - 3½%	9,712.21
U. S. Government Bonds - 6%.	3,047.31
U. S. Government Bonds - 6¼%	10,068.78
U. S. Government Bonds - 6½%	5,000.00
U. S. Government Bonds - 8%	1,000.00
Niagara Mohawk Power Co. - 4½% . . .	1,997.50

Stocks:

737 Shares - Chase Manhattan Bank	9,298.86
242 Shares - Consumers Power Co.	8,876.30
396 Shares - Continental Illinois Bank & Trust Company	5,321.66
1,980 Shares - Eaten & Howard Balanced Fund	8,124.82
3,186 Shares - Fidelity Fund, Inc. . . .	7,042.87
276 Shares - First Nat'l Bk of Boston	6,798.12
136 Shares - First Nat'l City Bank of N. Y.	5,847.00
6 Shares - Siwooganock Guaranty Savings Bank	600.00
7 Shares - Lancaster National Bank	875.00
571 Shares - Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co.	9,940.16
73 Shares - Morgan Guaranty Trust Company	3,005.42
4426.762 Shares - Nat'l Investors Corp. . .	4,359.68
1,954 Shares - Nation Wide Securities Co. Inc.	7,633.96
300 Shares - N. Y. State Gas & Elec. Company	12,870.75
1,199 Shares - Puritan Fund, Inc. . . .	14,987.58
	$239,602.42

TRUST FUNDS – INCOME ACCOUNT
Statement of Receipts, Expenditures and Proof of Balance
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1969

Balance - January 1, 1969		$ 1,619.44	
Receipts During Year:			
Income from Investments		14,433.94	
		$16,053.38	
Expenditures During Year:			
Summer Street Cemetery:			
Cemetery Trust	$4,946.40		
Stevens Trust.	5,052.60		
Town of Lancaster - Care of Cross Park.	270.00		
Weeks Memorial Library . .	1,473.86		
Lancaster School District. .	170.83		
Emmons S. Smith Fund. . .	1,688.32		
Historical Fund	13.12		
James L. Dow Fund - Unity Club	313.30		
Catholic Cemeteries	687.31		
Transferred to Principal Assets	7.66		
		14,623.40	
Balance - December 31, 1969			$1,429.98

PROOF OF BALANCE

Balance in the Lancaster National Bank - Per Statement December 31, 1969	$12,930.75	
Add: Deposits in Transit	2,545.87	
	$15,476.62	
Less: Outstanding Checks	14,046.64	
Reconciled Balance - December 31, 1969		$1,429.98

Report of Audit

The annual examination and audit of the accounts of the Town of Lancaster for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1969 was made by the Municipal Accounting Division of the State Tax Commission, in accordance with the vote of the Town. The complete report, referred to below is on file in the Town Office and available for inspection at any time.

SCOPE OF AUDIT

Included in the examination and audit were the accounts and records of the Board of Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, District Court, Trustees of Trust Funds, Colonel F. L. Town Fund, Weeks Memorial Library and Bi-Centennial Committee.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURES

Comparative statements of appropriations and expenditures, estimated and actual revenues for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1969, are presented. As indicated by the budget summary, a revenue surplus of $7,398.55, less a net overdraft of appropriations of $4,870.91, resulted in a net budget surplus of $2,527.64

AUDIT PROCEDURE

The accounts and records of all town officials charged with the custody, receipt and disbursement of public funds were examined and audited. Vouchers and cancelled checks were compared with supporting invoices and payrolls as well as entries in the books of record. Receipts were checked by source insofar as possible and totals or receipts and expenditures verified. Book balances were verified by comparison with reconciled bank balances made from statements obtained from depository banks. Verification of uncollected taxes was made by mailing notices to delinquent taxpayers as indicated by the Collector's records. The amount of uncollected and unredeemed taxes as indicated in this report are therefore subject to any changes which may be necessitated by the return of verification notices.

GENERAL COMMENTS

Current Surplus:

The current surplus (excess of total assets over current liabilities) decreased by $3,588.48, from $26,034.73 to $22,446.25 in 1969 as shown herewith:

	Dec. 31, 1968	Dec. 31, 1969
Total Assets	$363,162.40	$1,629,834.11
Current Liabilities	337,127.67	1,607,387.86
Current Surplus	$ 26,034.73	$ 22,446.25

CONCLUSION

The provisions of Chapter 184, of the Laws of 1955, require that this report or the summary of findings and recommendations (letter of transmittal) shall be published in the next annual report of the Town.

We extend our thanks to the officials of the Town of Lancaster for their assistance during the course of the audit.

Yours very truly,

O. MAURICE OLESON
Director
Division of Municipal Account
State Tax Commission

Stephen D. Plodzik, Auditor
John J. Durr, Jr. - Robert E. Sanderson, Accountants

CERTIFICATE OF AUDIT

This is to certify that we have examined and audited the accounts and records of the Town of Lancaster for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1969.

Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the Exhibits included herewith present fairly the financial condition of the Town as of December 31, 1969, together with the results of operations for the fiscal year ended on that date.

O. MAURICE OLESON, Director
Division of Municipal Accounting
State Tax Commission

Stephen D. Plodzik, Auditor
John J. Durr, Jr. - Robert E. Sanderson, Accountants

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS
As of December 31, 1968 and December 31, 1969

Assets	December 31, 1968		December 31, 1969	
Cash:				
In hand of treasurer	$204,974.43		$264,453.27	
Change & Petty cash F	145.00		145.00	
200th Anni. Fund. .	221.91		221.91	
		$205,341.34		$ 264,820.19
Bonds Authorized - Unissued				1,170,000.00
Capital Reserve Funds (Contra) . . .		30,393.60		38,745.69
Accounts Due Town:				
Uncol. Water & Meter Rents	7,148.50		7,017.01	
Other Receivables. .	1,121.59		918.87	
Due from non-revenue Funds - Sewer proj.			220.00	
		8,270.09		8,155.88
Unredeemed Taxes:				
Levy of 1968.			18,250.32	
Levy of 1967.	17,741.66		7,430.86	
Prior Years	7,390.99		435.82	
		25,132.65		26,117.00
Uncollected Taxes:				
Levy of 1969.			115,335.74	
Levy of 1968.	89,434.09		2,662.36	
Prior Years	1,948.13		1,407.25	
		91,382.22		119,405.35
Uncollected State Head Taxes:				
Current Years	2,405.00		2,245.00	
Prior Years	237.50		345.00	
		2,642.50		2,590.00
Total Assets		$363,162.40		$1,629,834.11
Net Debt		13,265.27		2,853.75
Total Assets and Net Debt		$376,427.67		$1,632,687.86

Liabilities		December 31, 1968		December 31, 1969
Appropriations Forwarded (Exhibit A-3)		$303,537.64		$ 396,036.65
Non-Revenue Funds:				
Sewer Project				
Unexpended Balance of Non-Revenue				
Appropriation . . .			$1,169,780.00	
Due General Fund. .			200.00	
				1,170,000.00
Capital Reserve				
Funds (Contra) . . .		30,393.60		38,745.69
200th Anni. Fund. .		221.91		221.91
Due State of N. H.:				
Head Taxes - Uncol.	$ 2,405.00		2,245.00	
Head Taxes - Collected not remitted.	299.00			
Yield Taxes - Uncol.	130.03		56.01	
Yield Taxes - Collected not remitted.	140.49		82.60	
		2,974.52		2,383.61
Long term notes outstanding		39,300.00		25,300.00
Total Liabilities		$376,427.67		$1,632,687.86

CLASSIFIED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
Fiscay year Ended December 31, 1969

Receipts:		
Current Revenue:		
From Local Taxes:		
Current Year:		
Property Taxes	$614,454.00	
Poll Taxes	1,814.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes . .	665.17	
Yield Taxes	39.56	
State Head Taxes	5,610.00	
		$622,582.73
Prior Years:		
Property Taxes	$ 85,405.44	
Poll Taxes	665.00	
Yield Taxes.	455.95	

State Head Taxes	2,055.00		
		88,581.39	
Tax Sales Redeemed		31,511.59	
Interest on Taxes		4,237.46	
State Head Tax Penalties		220.00	
			$ 747,133.17
From State of New Hampshire:			
Interest and Dividends Tax. . .		$ 12,082.58	
Railroad Tax		752.79	
Savings Bank Tax		3,188.74	
Rooms and Meals Tax		9,340.32	
Old Age Assistance Recoveries		237.80	
Road Toll Refunds		1,155.28	
T.R.A. Project Reimbursed. . .		7,671.17	
Reimb. a/c State & Federal Land Current Year		261.13	
Reimb. a/c State & Federal Land Prior Year		219.09	
State Owned Recreational Land		94.01	
National Forest Reserve		40.94	
Bounties		2.50	
			35,046.35
From Local Sources, Except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses		$ 809.45	
Business Licenses, Permits & Fees		549.50	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees. . .		30,495.89	
Rent of Town Property		4,549.00	
Parking Meter Income & Violations		5,366.41	
Water Department Income . . .		30,968.51	
District Court		4,007.15	
Interest on Deposits		2,789.18	
Public Health Department Income		834.33	
			80,369.42
Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:			
Temporary Loans in Anticip. of taxes		$225,000.00	
Tax Sale Redemption (contra)		11.54	
			225,011.54
Appropriation Credits:			
Town Officers' Expense . . .		$ 133.57	
S. S. & Retirement Contributions		5,238.13	
Police Department		2,731.71	
Parking Meter Account		22.00	
Fire Department		1,272.45	
Insurance		64.00	

Planning and Zoning	40.00	
Health Dept., Incl. Hospitals. .	6,606.12	
Sewer Maintenance	89.80	
Public Relief	5.00	
Parks & Playgrounds	270.00	
Water Department	325.96	
Hospitalization & Group Ins.	424.10	
Town Maintenance	2,476.47	
		19,699.31
Total Receipts from all sources		1,107,259.79
Balance - January 1, 1969		204,974.43
Grand Total		$1,312,234.22

EXPENDITURES:

General Government:

Town Officers' Salaries	$ 17,890,00	
Town Officers' Expenses . . .	7,693.72	
Election and Registration . . .	324.30	
District Court	3,597.70	
Town Hall & Bldg. Maintenance	8,284.03	
Planning and Zoning	5,034.80	
		42,824.55

Protection of Persons & Property:

Police Department	$ 34,268.18	
Parking Meter	6,232.07	
Fire Department	7,662.44	
Blister Rust & Care of Trees . .	295.13	
Insurance	6,068.15	
Civil Defense	823.40	
Bounties	3.50	
		55,352.87

Health:

Health Dept., incl. Hospitals. .	$ 15,894.04	
Vital Statistics	274.00	
Sewer Maintenance.	842.04	
Town Dump & Garbage Removal	4,802.17	
		21,812.25

Highways and Bridges:

Town Maintenance	$ 80,316.98	
Town Road Aid	924.01	
Street Lighting	11,166.73	
T.R.A. Project - State Reimb.	7,671.17	
		100,078.89

Libraries		9,402.00
Public Welfare:		
Old Age Assistance	$ 9,646.55	
Town Poor	1,014.87	
		10,661.42
Patriotic Purposes:		
Memorial Day		200.00
Recreation - Parks and Playgrounds		4,156.70
Public Service Enterprises:		
Water Department	$ 21,230.81	
Cemeteries	2,500.00	
		23,730.81
Unclassified:		
Damages & Legal Expenses . .	$ 668.27	
Advertising & Regional Assns.	5,671.44	
Taxes Bought by Town	32,502.48	
Social Security & Retirement	10,915.06	
Hospitalization & Group Ins. .	2,087.24	
Tax Sale Redemption (contra)	11.54	
Discount Abatements & Refunds:		
Overpayments a/c 1969 Prop. Taxes 54.44		
Prop. & Poll Taxes 169.96		
Head Taxes 95.00		
Motor Veh. Permt Fees 2.73		
	322.13	
		52,178.16
Interest:		
Temporary Loans	$ 4,500.00	
Long Term Notes	1,844.25	
		6,344.25
New Construction & Improvements:		
Bridge Construction	2,499.81	
Water Construction	2,445.74	
Special Sewer Project	220.00	
Land - Martin Meadow Pond Rd.	203.81	
		5,369.36
Indebtedness:		
Temporary Loans	$225,000.00	
Long Term Notes	14,000.00	
Capital Reserve Fund	7,000.00	
		246,000.00

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

State Head Taxes	$ 7,430.00	
Yield Taxes.	140.48	
County Tax	35,491.85	
School District Tax	426,607.35	
		469,669.68
Total Expenditures for all purposes		$1,047,780.94
Balance - December 31, 1969		264,453.28
GRAND TOTAL . . .		$1,312,234.22

Summary of Receipts, Expenditures and Proof of Balance
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1969

Balance - Jan. 1, 1969	204,974.43		
Receipts during year	1,107,259.79		
		1,312,234.22	
Expenditures during yr.		1,047,780.94	
Balance - Dec. 31, 1969			$ 264,453.28

Proof of Balance

Balance in the Lancaster Nat'l Bank Per Statement Dec. 31, 1969		$179,618.60	
Add: Deposits in Transit		5,167.00	
		$184,785.60	
Less: Outstanding Checks		21,169.32	
		$163,616.28	
Add: Certificates of Deposit No. 176	$20,000.00		
No. 177	20,000.00		
U.S. Treas. Bill due 3/2/70	58,837.00		
		98,837.00	
			$262,453.28

Payroll Account

Balance in the Lancaster Nat'l Bank Per Statement Dec. 31, 1969	$ 5,704.84	
Less: Outstanding Checks	3,680.54	
	$ 2,024.30	
Less: Attachment on pay carried over to 1970	24.30	
		2,000.00
Reconciled Balance - December 31, 1969		$264,453.28

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1969

DEBIT	1969	PRIOR YRS.
Uncol. taxes - Jan. 1, 1969:		
Property Taxes	$	$89,725.07
Poll Taxes		877.00
Yield Taxes		780.15
Taxes committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes	730,139.35	
Poll Taxes	2,594.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	665.17	
Yield Taxes	51.44	
Added Taxes:		
Property Taxes	1,201.82	
Poll Taxes	18.00	12.00
Overpayments Refunded	54.44	
Interest Collected	75.59	1,936.16
	$734,799.81	$93,340.38
CREDIT		
Remittances to Treasurer:		
Property Taxes	$614,454.00	85,405.44
Poll Taxes	1,814.00	665.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	665.17	
Yield Taxes	39.56	465.95
Interest	75.59	1,936.16
Abatements Allowed:		
Property Taxes	2,377.75	714.22
Poll Taxes	38.00	84.00
Uncol. taxes - Dec. 31, 1969:		
Property Taxes	114,563.86	3,619.41
Poll Taxes	760.00	126.00
Yield Taxes	11.88	324.20
	$734,799.81	$93,340.38

SUMMARY OF STATE HEAD TAX WARRANTS
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1969

DEBIT	1969	PRIOR YRS.
Uncollected Head Taxes January 1, 1969	$	$2,642.50
Head Taxes committed to Collector	8,060.00	
Added: Head Taxes	40.00	40.00
Penalties Collected	15.00	205.00
	$8,115.00	$2,887.50

CREDIT		
Remittances to Treasurer:		
Head Taxes	$5,610.00	$2,055.00
Penalties	15.00	205.00
Abatements Allowed	245.00	282.50
Uncollected Head Taxes December 31, 1969	2,245.00	345.00
	$8,115.00	$2,887.50

SUMMARY OF TAX SALE ACCOUNTS
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1969

DEBIT	1968	PRIOR YRS.
Unredeemed Taxes - Jan. 1, 1969	$	$25,132.65
Tax Sale of April 2, 1969	32,502.48	
Interest and Costs After Sale	291.34	1,924.37
	$32,793.82	$27.057.02

CREDIT		
Remittance to Treasurer:		
Redemptions	14,252.16	17,259.46
Interest and Costs	291.34	1,924.37
Abatements Allowed		6.54
Unredeemed taxes - Dec. 31, 1969	18,250.32	7,866.18
	$32,793.82	$27,057.02

Town Telephone Directory

Town Office 788-2306 – 788-3391

Town Manager	Donald E. Crane	788-3391
Town Clerk and Treasurer, Dorothy H. Wilson		788-2306
Town Accountant and Water Collector, Donna P. Young		788-3391
Information on zoning and building permits		788-3391
Public Health Nursing Service		788-2366
School Department, Lancaster		788-4924
Supervising Principal, W.M.R.S.D.		837-2553
Supt. of School office		837-2553

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Police Department	788-4402
Fire Department	788-4830
Civil Defense	788-3391

TOWN OF LANCASTER
BOX 151
LANCASTER, N. H. 03584

BULK RATE
U. S. POSTAGE
PAID
LANCASTER, N. H.
PERMIT NO. 65

Library
University of N.H.
Durham, N.H. 03824

88-4830

XES

12 Main St., near Old Cemetery
13 Corner Main and Railroad Sts.
14 Corner Main and North Main Sts.
15 Corner North Main and Kilkenny Sts.
16 Corner Causeway and Summer Sts.
21 Corner Main and Mechanic Sts. and All Rural Areas
22 Corner Pleasant and Portland Sts.
23 Corner Williams and Prospect St.
24 Prospect St., near Mary Elizabeth Inn
25 Corner Elm, Burnside and Winter Sts.
26 Corner Elm, Water and Williams Sts.
27 Prospect Park
28 Portland St., near Dr. Blodgett's
31 Corner Summer and Wolcott Sts.
32 Corner Railroad and Depot Sts., B & M Crossing
33 Corner High and Summer Sts.
34 Corner Summer and Middle Sts.
35 Corner Middle and Wesson Sts.
36 Corner Middle, Hill and Mechanic Sts.
37 North Road, (beyond Hospital)
41 Thompson Manufacturing Co.
42 Corner Main and Middle Sts., near Chesley's
43 Corner Main and Park Sts., near Hickey Block
44 WEEKS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
45 High School Building
51 Bunker Hill St., by M.C.R.R. Crossing
52 Top of Bunker Hill St.
55 Red Cross — CD Emergency First Aid
66 Assistance to Other Towns
2 Chimney Fire
333 National Guard

7-7 7:30 a. m. — All schools closed entire day

CIVILIAN DEFENSE SIGNALS

Alert Signal — Steady Blast, 3 minutes
Take Cover Signal — Short Blast, 3 minutes
All Clear — 30 second Blast — 2 minutes silence; repeated